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Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated March 10, 2000, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel all of the claims in the application and substitute:

a1 - 4. A method of reducing the tackiness of a cosmetic or dermatological preparation comprising chitosan, the chitosan having an average molecular weight of from